

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2574

Introduced by Assembly Member Rodriguez

February 21, 2014

An act to add Section 9600.6 to the Unemployment Insurance Code, relating to employment development.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2574, as introduced, Rodriguez. Employment Development Department: workforce needs: biennial report.

Existing law requires the Employment Development Department to administer various job training and placement programs and services for eligible persons, as provided, and requires that the department, among other things, develop a statewide plan and area plans to coordinate all programs it administers, as specified. Existing law requires the director of the department to prepare an annual report for the Governor, the Legislature, and the California Workforce Investment Board regarding the training expenditures made by local workforce investment boards in the prior fiscal year, as specified.

This bill would require the department to develop a biennial report regarding state workforce need projections and credential production, as specified. The bill would also require the department, by January 1, 2015, and every 2 years thereafter, to provide a copy of the report to the appropriate policy committees in both the Assembly and Senate, to the Governor, to the Board of Regents of the University of California, the Board of Trustees of the California State University, and to the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges, and to collaborate with the State Department of Education in providing the report to the

public school districts. The bill would authorize the department to provide the report electronically.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.

State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 9600.6 is added to the Unemployment
2 Insurance Code, to read:

3 9600.6. (a) The department shall, in consultation with the
4 University of California, the California State University, the
5 California Community Colleges, the California Workforce
6 Investment Board, and any other entity deemed appropriate by
7 department, develop a biennial report regarding state
8 workforce-need projections and credential production. The report
9 is to be produced to the extent practicable within available existing
10 resources and subject to data currently collected by and accessible
11 to state agencies. The report shall do all of the following:

12 (1) Indicate the state's anticipated workforce needs and the
13 number of degrees, certificates, and other credentials that public
14 and private institutions of higher education expect to issue.

15 (2) Indicate the state's anticipated number of degrees,
16 certificates, and other credentials that high school career and
17 technical programs, apprenticeship programs, and other public or
18 private workforce training programs expect to issue.

19 (3) Identify any workforce needs, including areas of
20 specialization within a particular vocation, that may not be met by
21 the education, training, and apprenticeship programs as reported
22 pursuant to paragraphs (1) and (2).

23 (4) Identify institutions, whether public or private, that may
24 meet projected workforce needs.

25 (b) (1) Notwithstanding Section 10231.5 of the Government
26 Code, the department shall, by January 1, 2015, and every two
27 years thereafter, provide a copy of the report to the appropriate
28 policy committees in both the Assembly and Senate, to the
29 Governor, to the Board of Regents of the University of California,
30 the Board of Trustees of the California State University, and to
31 the Chancellor of the California Community Colleges.

1 (c) The department shall collaborate with the State Department
2 of Education in providing the report to the public school districts
3 in this state.

4 (d) The report required by this section may be provided
5 electronically.

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